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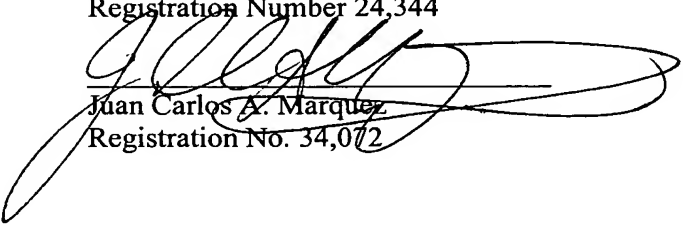
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated November 9, 2005 in the above identified application, the period for response to which will expire on February 9, 2006. Please amend the above identified application as follows: